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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
Beatrice TOUMI, et al. : EXAMINER: YU, GINA C.  
SERIAL NO: 09/533,361 :  
FILED: MARCH 22, 2000 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1611  
FOR: TIGHTENING AGENT COMPRISING  
AT LEAST ONE GRAFTED SILICONE  
POLYMER

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated March 16, 2009, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.